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Disposition of Claims							
5) Claim(s) 1-11 is/are pending in the application.							
5a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdraw	n from consideration.						
6) Claim(s) is/are allowed.							
7)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-11</u> is/are rejected.							
8) Claim(s) is/are objected to.							
9) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.							
Application Papers							
10) The specification is objected to by the Examiner	,						
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12) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.							
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DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 05/05/2011 has been entered.

2. Claims 12-20 have been cancelled in response filed 05/05/2011.

Response to Arguments

3. Applicant's arguments filed 03/30/2011 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

With respect to claim 1, applicant amended the claim and argued that the combination of the references fails to disclose the limitation. Specifically, applicant claim now incorporates and recites "each of the said dedicated modules coupled to a respective standard non specialized transceiver that can be initialized to a frequency and format not compatible with the frequency and formats of other transceivers on said ad hoc network..." Examiner respectfully disagrees.

First examiner notes that the recited limitation is an option limitation that is not required by the claim. In other words, by reciting that that the transceiver **can** be initialized to a frequency and format is not required by the claim. As such, examiner notes that the claim is essentially the same as previously presented.

Additionally, even if the limitation did pose a meaningful limit on the claim, the primary reference, Burkley, specifically discloses that transceiver can be brought to communicate on a common channel and format to facilitate interoperability. The reference further discloses that these transceiver are multiband transceivers operating over various communication frequencies and formats. Therefore, specifically and explicitly reciting that even if the transceivers were to operate on a different frequencies and formats, the system is automatically configured to operate on a common frequency and format to facilitate interoperability. As such applicant's arguments that the reference fails to disclose the amended limitation is not persuasive.

Terminal Disclaimer

4. Terminal disclaimer filed 03/30/2011 is not approved. Associated power of attorney is no longer accepted by the office. See MPEP 402.02.

Double Patenting

5. The nonstatutory double patenting rejection is based on a judicially created doctrine grounded in public policy (a policy reflected in the statute) so as to prevent the unjustified or improper timewise extension of the "right to exclude" granted by a patent and to prevent possible harassment by multiple assignees. A nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection is appropriate where the conflicting claims are not identical, but at least one examined application claim is not patentably distinct from the reference claim(s) because the examined application claim is either anticipated by, or would have been obvious over, the reference claim(s). See, e.g., *In re Berg*, 140 F.3d 1428, 46 USPQ2d 1226 (Fed. Cir. 1998); *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985); *In re Van Ornum*, 686 F.2d 937, 214 USPQ 761 (CCPA 1982); *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970); and *In re Thorington*, 418 F.2d 528, 163 USPQ 644 (CCPA 1969).

A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) or 1.321(d) may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory double patenting ground provided the conflicting application or patent either is shown to be commonly owned

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with this application, or claims an invention made as a result of activities undertaken within the scope of a joint research agreement.

Effective January 1, 1994, a registered attorney or agent of record may sign a terminal disclaimer. A terminal disclaimer signed by the assignee must fully comply with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

6. Claim 1 is provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/585148 in view of Lewicke et al (US 2010/0145163 A1).

This is a <u>provisional</u> obviousness-type double patenting rejection.

Regarding claim 1, Application '148 discloses an apparatus for improving an ad hoc temporary incident area network by adding recording capability, comprising: an automatically configured temporary ad hoc incident area network including a number of dedicated modules, each of said modules coupled to a respective standard non-specialized transceiver that can be initialized to a frequency and format not compatible with the frequencies and formats of other transceivers on said ad hoc network, said dedicated modules automatically establishing interoperability between the transceivers by converting signals from the standard transceiver to which said dedicated module is coupled to a common frequency and a common format, a sensor within at least one module for providing situational awareness data; means at each module for uploading recorded data over the temporary incident area network to at least one node on said network; and, storage at said node operably connected to said network for storing all the data transmitted over said network, thus to provide a complete stored history of the incident for which the temporary incident area network is established, thereby to provide redundancy for the recording performed at each of said modules and permitting readout of said recorded data for enhancing incident response (see claim 1) but fails to disclose a recorder within each of said

modules for recording data obtained at each of said modules, said at least one module collecting and recording situational awareness data from the associated sensor using said recorder.

However, Lewicke discloses a module comprising a sensor and memory (recorder) wherein the sensor senses the data and further stores (records) the data in the memory (see paragraph 0018).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include a local memory for storing data that has been captured by the sensor.

The motivation for doing so would be collect a set of data for a predetermined time such that the bandwidth could be saved.

7. Claim 2-7 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/585148 in view of Lewicke et al (US 2010/0145163 A1), and further in view of Israel. (USP 6600501).

Regarding claim 2, Application 148 fails to disclose an apparatus wherein each portion of recorded data is time- stamped and wherein the time-stamped data is recorded at the storage at said node in the order in which it was received to provide a timeline-based stored history of the incident.

However, Lewicke discloses a method further time-stamping the data recoded at each of said modules, storing the time stamps along with the stored data (see paragraph 0018, 0042).

Israel discloses a system wherein the events are organized in terms of time and further displaying

a time line with links, typically a reference to a period, topic or event (see abstract, discloses a time with links of information).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include time stamping the events or incidents when they are received such that they can be organized and rendered in a timeline as disclosed by Isreal to the teaching of Burkley.

The motivation for doing so would be to organize the events in chronological order such that an event could be determined.

Regarding claim 3, Application '148 discloses an apparatus and further including a terminal at said node for displaying said stored data (see claim 1).

Regarding claim 4, Application 148 fails to disclose an apparatus and further including a timeline generator for displaying a timeline on said display and for displaying recorded data juxtaposed to said timeline.

However, Lewicke discloses a method further time-stamping the data recoded at each of said modules, storing the time stamps along with the stored data (see paragraph 0018, 0042). Israel discloses a system wherein the events are organized in terms of time and further displaying a time line with links, typically a reference to a period, topic or event (see abstract, discloses a time with links of information).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include time stamping the events or incidents when they are received

such that they can be organized and rendered in a timeline as disclosed by Isreal to the teaching of Burkley.

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The motivation for doing so would be to organize the events in chronological order such that an event could be determined.

Regarding claim 5, Application 148 discloses an apparatus wherein the sensor at said at least one module is coupled to the associated recorder (claim 1).

Regarding claim 6, Application 148 fails to disclose an apparatus wherein recorded data at the output of said sensor is transmitted over said network to said node for recording thereof, said recorded sensor data being displayed on said display juxtaposed to said timeline.

However, Lewicke discloses recording data before the data is communicated over a communication link to a second memory (paragraph 0018).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include a local memory for storing data that has been captured by the sensor.

The motivation for doing so would be collect a set of data for a predetermined time such that the bandwidth could be saved.

Application 148 fails to disclose said recorded sensor data being displayed on said display juxtaposed to said timeline.

However, Israel discloses a system wherein the events are organized in terms of time and further displaying a time line with links, typically a reference to a period, topic or event (see abstract, discloses a time with links of information).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include time stamping the events or incidents when they are received such that they can be organized and rendered in a timeline as disclosed by Isreal to the teaching of Burkley.

The motivation for doing so would be to organize the events in chronological order such that an event could be determined.

Regarding claim 7, Application 148 discloses an apparatus and further including a video camera at at least one of said modules having an output recorded at said module and means for streaming said video data over said network to said node for storage at said node (claim 3).

8. Claim 8 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/585148 in view of Lewicke et al (US 2010/0145163 A1) and Israel (USP 6600501), and further in view of Parker et al. (USP 6996782).

Regarding claim 8, Application 148 fails to disclose an apparatus and further including an icon for indicating the presence of stored video data on said display juxtaposed to said timeline

and a display for reproducing said stored video data responsive to selecting said icon, whereby the video data displayed corresponds in time to a time segment of said timeline.

Parker disclose an apparatus and further including an icon for indicating the presence of stored video data on said display juxtaposed to said timeline and means for reproducing said stored video data responsive to selecting said icon, whereby the video data displayed corresponds in time to a time segment of said timeline (see figure 6B, disclose a timeline with images icons juxtapose such that the user can browse by selecting the icon for viewing).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include organizing the digital video data in timeline with icons such that the user can easily browse the data.

The motivation for doing so would be to make it easier for user to browse the recorded video.

9. Claim 9 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/585148 in view of Lewicke et al (US 2010/0145163 A1), and further in view of Brailean et al. (US 20090077601).

Regarding claim 9, Application 148 fails to disclose an apparatus wherein each of said modules records audio communications established by the corresponding transceiver and transmits the recorded audio communications over said network to said node, for recording in the storage thereat.

However, Lewicke discloses recording data before the data is communicated over a communication link to a second memory (paragraph 0018).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include a local memory for storing data that has been captured by the sensor.

The motivation for doing so would be collect a set of data for a predetermined time such that the bandwidth could be saved.

Application '148 fails to disclose including a video/audio camera at at least one of said modules.

Brailean discloses a module comprising a sensor and a video/audio camera for capturing video and audio data and streaming the video and audio data to remote device (see paragraph 0012-0013).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include a video camera such that are could be surveillance.

The motivation for doing so would be enable video feed enhancing the overall monitoring process.

10. Claim 10-11 are provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 1 of copending Application No. 10/585148 in view of Lewicke et al (US 2010/0145163 A1) and Brailean et al. (US 20090077601), and further in view of Artman et al. (US 20030069998).

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Regarding claim 10 and 11, Application 148 fails to disclose an apparatus and further including audio unit for reproducing the audio stored at said node and further including a time line generator for generating a timeline and a terminal at said node, said terminal having a display, an audio icon on said display representing the presence of stored audio communications from a predetermined module juxtaposed with a timeline, and a selector for outputting stored audio data from a selected module at a time corresponding to a selected time segment of said timeline.

However, Artman discloses a user interface application for displaying the events using an icon on a timeline where a user can browse the content through the time in an order that they occurred further the content represented in timeline using icons specifying whether the content is audio (see paragraph 0051).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include the timeline representation of Artman such that the user can browse through the recoded events in the order they occurred.

The motivation for doing so would allow the user to easily correlate events by sequentially browsing.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

11. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

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12. The factual inquiries set forth in *Graham* v. *John Deere Co.*, 383 U.S. 1, 148 USPQ 459 (1966), that are applied for establishing a background for determining obviousness under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) are summarized as follows:

- 1. Determining the scope and contents of the prior art.
- 2. Ascertaining the differences between the prior art and the claims at issue.
- 3. Resolving the level of ordinary skill in the pertinent art.
- 4. Considering objective evidence present in the application indicating obviousness or nonobviousness.
- 13. This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), the examiner presumes that the subject matter of the various claims was commonly owned at the time any inventions covered therein were made absent any evidence to the contrary. Applicant is advised of the obligation under 37 CFR 1.56 to point out the inventor and invention dates of each claim that was not commonly owned at the time a later invention was made in order for the examiner to consider the applicability of 35 U.S.C. 103(c) and potential 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) or (g) prior art under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).
- 14. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Burkley et al. (USP 7034678) over Lewicke et al. (US 20100145163 A1).

Regarding claim 1, Burkley discloses an apparatus for improving an ad hoc temporary incident area network by adding recording capability (fig. 2, sensors) comprising:

an automatically configured temporary ad hoc incident area network including a number of dedicated modules (see figure 2, and col. 5, lines 45-57, discloses an automatically configured temporary network including number of sensors, etc), each of said dedicated modules coupled to

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a respective standard non-specialized transceiver that can be initialized to a frequency and format not compatible with the frequencies and formats of other transceivers on said ad hoc network (sensors with transceivers, as disclosed in figure 2 for uploading data or field devices intercommunicating therefore, each module having its own transceiver such that communication could happen, the sensors can be configured to communicate using any frequency and band, col. 5, lines 4-19 and col. 6, lines 41-51), said dedicated modules automatically establishing interoperability between the transceivers by converting signals from the standard transceiver to which said dedicated module is coupled to a common frequency and a common format (see col. 11, lines 48-67, establishing interoperability between modules using a common frequency and format);

a sensor connected to each of said modules for capturing/collecting data or for providing situational awareness data (see fig. 2, devices like radio, sensor and portable computer are recorders since they record information and send it over the network; see col. 5, lines 20-30, discloses that sensors record data and provide the data to the command and control terminal; modules are radio/sensor/computer and transceiver);

means at each module for uploading/transmitting recorded data over the temporary incident area network to at least one node on said network (see figure 2, further discloses uploading/downloading information from the field devices to the portable command terminal); and,

storage at said node operably connected to said network for storing all the data transmitted over said network, thus to provide a complete stored history of the incident for which said ad hoc temporary incident area network is established, thereby to provide redundancy for

the recording performed at each of said modules and permitting readout of said recorded data for enhancing incident response (see figure 2, 17000, discloses a storage couple through network for providing storage of data; see col. 10, lines 29-34, discloses a local database for storing logs of interactions among the portable command terminals; see col. 16, lines 26-48)

playing back stored data to establish what was happening at each of said modules in the course of responding to an incident (see col. 8, lines 6-19, discloses playing back of the storage devices).

Burkley fails to disclose a recorder for recording data collecting threat obtained at each of said modules.

However, Lewicke discloses a module comprising a sensor and memory (recorder) wherein the sensor senses the data and further stores (records) the data in the memory (see paragraph 0018).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include a local memory for storing data that has been captured by the sensor.

The motivation for doing so would be collect a set of data for a predetermined time such that the bandwidth could be saved.

Although, Burkley and Lewicke disclose individually a sensor for collecting the situational awareness data (Burkley: see figure 2, discloses sensor for recording data), modules with interconnected sensors (Burkley: see figure 2, a computer is interconnected with the sensor) and recorder for recording data locally (Lewicke: paragraph 0018), they fail to disclose integrating the components together.

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However, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention was made to integrate sensors and recorder within the modules such as mobile computer system, since it has been held that forming in one piece an article which has formerly been formed in two pieces and put together involves only routine skill in the art. In re Larson, 340 F.2d 965, 968, 144 USPO 347, 349 (CCPA 1965).

The motivation for doing so would be to provide an integrated system that can be deployed fast and easy.

Burkley and Lewicke fails to disclose automatically configuring the network.

However, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention was made to automate the configuration of the network, since it has been held that automating a manual activity involves only routine skill in the art. In re Venner, 262 F.2d 91, 95, 120 USPO 193, 194 (CCPA 1958).

The motivation for doing so would be creating a system that can be configured fast.

15. Claims 2-6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Burkley et al. (USP 7034678) over Lewicke et al. (US 20100145163 A1) as applied to claim 1 above, and further in view of Israel et al. (USP 6600501).

Regarding claim 2, 4, Burkley fails to disclose an apparatus wherein each portion of recorded data is time- stamped and wherein the time-stamped data is recorded at the storage at said node in the order in which it was received to provide a timeline-based stored history of the

incident and further including a timeline generator for displaying a timeline on said display and for displaying recorded data juxtaposed to said timeline as recited in claim 4.

However, Lewicke discloses a method further time-stamping the data recoded at each of said modules, storing the time stamps along with the stored data (see paragraph 0018, 0042). Israel discloses a system wherein the events are organized in terms of time and further displaying a time line with links, typically a reference to a period, topic or event (see abstract, discloses a time with links of information).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include time stamping the events or incidents when they are received such that they can be organized and rendered in a timeline as disclosed by Isreal to the teaching of Burkley.

The motivation for doing so would be to organize the events in chronological order such that an event could be determined.

Regarding claim 3, Burkley discloses an apparatus further including a terminal at said node for displaying said stored data (see col. 8, discloses viewing of information collected through various systems and further see fig. 2, discloses a terminal with the storage for display of information, see col. 16, lines 26-33).

Regarding claim 5, Burkley fails to disclose an apparatus wherein the sensor at said at least one module is coupled to the associated recorder.

However, Lewicke discloses a module comprising a sensor and memory wherein the sensor senses the data and further stores the data in the memory (see paragraph 0018).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include a local memory for storing data that has been captured by the sensor.

The motivation for doing so would be collect a set of data for a predetermined time such that the bandwidth could be saved.

Regarding claim 6, Burkley discloses wherein data at the output of said sensor is transmitted over said network to said node for recording thereof (see figure 2, further discloses uploading information from the field devices to the portable command terminal) but fails to disclose recording the data at the module and said recorded sensor data being displayed on said display juxtaposed to said timeline.

However, Lewicke discloses recording data before the data is communicated over a communication link to a second memory (paragraph 0018).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include a local memory for storing data that has been captured by the sensor.

The motivation for doing so would be collect a set of data for a predetermined time such that the bandwidth could be saved.

Burkley fails to disclose said recorded sensor data being displayed on said display juxtaposed to said timeline.

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However, Israel (USP 6600501) discloses a system wherein the events are organized in terms of time and further displaying a time line with links, typically a reference to a period, topic or event (see abstract, discloses a time with links of information).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include time stamping the events or incidents when they are received such that they can be organized and rendered in a timeline as disclosed by Isreal to the teaching of Burkley.

The motivation for doing so would be to organize the events in chronological order such that an event could be determined.

16. Claim 7 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Burkley et al. (USP 7034678) over Lewicke et al (US 2010/0145163 A1) and Israel (USP 6600501) as applied to claim 4 above, and further in view of Brailean et al. (US 20090077601).

Regarding claim 7, Burkley discloses further means for streaming said data over said network to said node for storage thereat at said node (see figure 2, further discloses uploading information from the field devices to the portable command terminal) but fails to disclose having an output recorded at said module.

However, Lewicke discloses recording data before the data is communicated over a communication link to a second memory (paragraph 0018).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include a local memory for storing data that has been captured by the sensor.

The motivation for doing so would be collect a set of data for a predetermined time such that the bandwidth could be saved.

Burkley fails to disclose including a video/audio camera at at least one of said modules.

Brailean discloses a module comprising a sensor and a video/audio camera for capturing video and audio data and streaming the video and audio data to remote device (see paragraph 0012-0013).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include a video camera such that are could be surveillance.

The motivation for doing so would be enable video feed enhancing the overall monitoring process.

17. Claim 8 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Burkley et al. (USP 7034678) over Lewicke et al (US 2010/0145163 A1), Israel (USP 6600501) and Brailean et al. (US 20090077601) as applied to claim 7 above, and further in view of Parker et al. (USP 6996782).

Regarding claim 8, Burkley fails to disclose an apparatus and further including an icon for indicating the presence of stored video data on said display juxtaposed to said timeline and

display for reproducing said stored video data responsive to selecting said icon, whereby the video data displayed corresponds in time to a time segment of said timeline.

Parker disclose an apparatus and further including an icon for indicating the presence of stored video data on said display juxtaposed to said timeline and display for reproducing said stored video data responsive to selecting said icon, whereby the video data displayed corresponds in time to a time segment of said timeline (see figure 6B, disclose a timeline with images icons juxtapose such that the user can browse by selecting the icon for viewing).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include organizing the digital video data in timeline with icons such that the user can easily browse the data.

The motivation for doing so would be to make it easier for user to browse the recorded video.

18. Claim 9 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Burkley et al. (USP 7034678) over Lewicke et al (US 2010/0145163 A1) as applied to claim 1 above, and further in view of Brailean et al. (US 20090077601).

Regarding claim 9, Burkley discloses further means for streaming said data over said network to said node for storage thereat at said node (see figure 2, further discloses uploading information from the field devices to the portable command terminal) but fails to disclose having an output recorded at said module.

However, Lewicke discloses recording data before the data is communicated over a communication link to a second memory (paragraph 0018).

Therefore it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include a local memory for storing data that has been captured by the sensor.

The motivation for doing so would be collect a set of data for a predetermined time such that the bandwidth could be saved.

Burkley fails to disclose including a video/audio camera at at least one of said modules.

Brailean discloses a module comprising a sensor and a video/audio camera for capturing video and audio data and streaming the video and audio data to remote device (see paragraph 0012-0013).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include a video camera such that are could be surveillance.

The motivation for doing so would be enable video feed enhancing the overall monitoring process.

19. Claims 10-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Burkley et al. (USP 7034678) over Lewicke et al (US 2010/0145163 A1) and Brailean et al. (US 20090077601) as applied to claim 9 above, and further in view of Artman et al.(US 20030069998).

Regarding claim 10 and 11, Burkley fails to disclose an apparatus and further including audio unit for reproducing the audio stored at said node and further including a timeline generator for generating a timeline and a terminal at said node, said terminal having a display, an audio icon on said display representing the presence of stored audio communications from a predetermined module juxtaposed with a timeline, and a selector for outputting stored audio data from a selected module at a time corresponding to a selected time segment of said timeline.

However, Artman discloses a user interface application for displaying the events using an icon on a timeline where a user can browse the content through the time in an order that they occurred further the content represented in timeline using icons specifying whether the content is audio (see paragraph 0051).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify to include the timeline representation of Artman such that the user can browse through the recoded events in the order they occurred.

The motivation for doing so would allow the user to easily correlate events by sequentially browsing.

Conclusion

The teachings of the prior art should not be restricted and/or limited to the citations by columns and line numbers, as specified in the rejection. Although the specified citations are representative of the teachings of the art and are applied to specific limitations within the individual claim, other passages and figures may apply as well. It is respectfully requested from the applicant in preparing responses, to fully consider the references in its entirety as potentially

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teaching all or part of the claimed invention, as well as the context of the passage as taught by the prior art or disclosed by the examiner.

In the case of amendments, Applicant is respectfully requested to indicate the portion(s) of the specification which dictate(s) the structure relied on for proper interpretation and support, for ascertaining the metes and bounds of the claimed invention.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to NISHANT B. DIVECHA whose telephone number is (571)270-3125. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 1030 am to 6 pm EST.

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